Form **8827**

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name

Credit for Prior Year Minimum Tax—Corporations

► Attach to the corporation's tax return.

OMB No. 1545-1257

2008

Employer identification number

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1	Alternative minimum tax (AMT) for 2007. Enter the amount from line 14 of the 2007 Form 4626	1		
2	Minimum tax credit carryforward from 2007. Enter the amount from line 9 of the 2007 Form 8827	2		
3	Enter any 2007 unallowed qualified electric vehicle credit (see instructions)	3		
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4		
5	Enter the corporation's 2008 regular income tax liability minus allowable tax credits (see instructions)	5		
6	Is the corporation a "small corporation" exempt from the AMT for 2008 (see instructions)?			
	• Yes. Enter 25% of the excess of line 5 over \$25,000. If line 5 is \$25,000 or less, enter -0-			
	• No. Complete Form 4626 for 2008 and enter the tentative minimum tax from line 12	6		
7a	Subtract line 6 from line 5. If zero or less, enter -0	7a		
b	For a corporation electing to accelerate the minimum tax credit, enter the bonus depreciation amount attributable to the minimum tax credit (see instructions)	7b		
С	Add lines 7a and 7b	7c		
8a	Enter the smaller of line 4 or line 7c. If the corporation had a post-1986 ownership change or has pre-acquisition excess credits, see instructions	8a		
b	Current year minimum tax credit. Enter the smaller of line 4 or line 7a here and on Form 1120, Schedule J, line 5d (or the applicable line of your return). If you made an entry on line 7b, go to line 8c. Otherwise, skip line 8c	8b		
С	Subtract line 8b from line 8a. This is the refundable amount for a corporation electing to accelerate the minimum tax credit. Include this amount on line 32g of Form 1120 (or the applicable line of your return)	8c		
9	Minimum tax credit carryforward to 2009. Subtract line 8a from line 4. Keep a record of this amount to carry forward and use in future years	9		

Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

What's New

For its first tax year ending after March 31, 2008, a corporation can elect to claim a refundable credit for certain unused minimum tax credits in lieu of the special depreciation allowance for eligible qualified property. See the instructions for line 7b below.

Purpose of Form

Corporations use Form 8827 to figure the minimum tax credit, if any, for AMT incurred in prior tax years and to figure any minimum tax credit carryforward.

Who Should File

Form 8827 should be filed by corporations that had:

- An AMT liability in 2007,
- A minimum tax credit carryforward from 2007 to 2008, or
- A qualified electric vehicle credit not allowed for 2007 (see the instructions for line 3).

Line 3

Enter any qualified electric vehicle credit not allowed for 2007 solely because of the tentative minimum tax limitations under section 30(b)(3)(B).

Line 5

Enter the corporation's 2008 regular income tax liability (as defined in section 26(b)) minus any credits allowed under Chapter 1, Subchapter A, Part IV, subparts B, D, E, and F of the Internal Revenue Code (for example, if you are filing Form 1120, subtract any credits on Schedule J, lines 5a through 5c, from the amount on Schedule J, line 2).

Line 6

See the 2008 Instructions for Form 4626 to find out if the corporation is treated as a "small corporation" exempt from the AMT for 2008. If the corporation is a "small corporation" exempt from the AMT, see section 38(c)(5) before completing line 6 for special rules that apply to controlled corporate groups, regulated investment companies, and real estate investment trusts.

Line 7b

The corporation can elect to accelerate its use of unused credit for prior year minimum tax carryforwards from tax years beginning before 2006 and obtain a refundable credit instead of claiming any special depreciation allowance for eligible qualified property. Eligible qualified property under section 168(k)(2) that is acquired after March 31, 2008, and placed in service generally before January 1, 2009. The amount of unused minimum tax

credit that can be claimed is limited to the bonus depreciation amount computed for the tax year.

If the corporation elects to accelerate the minimum tax credit, complete the Worksheet for Calculating the Refundable Minimum Tax Credit Amount on page 2. Enter the amount from line 19 of the worksheet on line 7b. All others should enter zero on line 7b.

For more information see section 168(k)(4). Also, see Rev. Proc. 2008-65, 2008-44 I.R.B. 1082. For more information on the special depreciation allowance, see the Instructions for Form 4562 and Pub. 946, How To Depreciate Property.

S corporations that make the election to accelerate the credit can use the credit only against the built-in gains tax. See the instructions for Schedule D (Form 1120S), line 20. Corporations that file Form 1120-REIT or Form 1120-RIC must apply the credit first against the built-in gains tax, if any, and reduce the refundable credit by the amount so applied. See the instructions for line h of the Built-in Gains Tax Worksheet in the separate instructions for those forms.

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Woı	ksheet for Calculating the Refundable Minimum Tax Credit Amount (keep for your records)		
1	Enter depreciation (including the special depreciation allowance) that would have been allowed		
	for eligible qualified property placed in service during the tax year if section 168(k)(1) had applied		
	to such property	1	_
2	Enter depreciation for eligible qualified property placed in service during the tax year figured		
	without regard to section 168(k)(1)	2	_
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	_
4	Multiply line 3 by 20%	4	_
5	Enter any unused research credit carryforward from tax years beginning before 2006	5	
6	Enter any unused minimum tax credit carryforward from tax years beginning before 2006	6	
7	Add line 5 and line 6	7	_
8	Multiply line 7 by 6%	8	_
9	Enter the smaller of line 8 or \$30,000,000	9	_
10	Enter any bonus depreciation amounts determined under section 168(k)(4)(C) for all preceding		
	tax years ending after March 31, 2008	10	_
11	Subtract line 10 from line 9. If zero or less, enter -0-	11	_
12	Bonus depreciation amount. Enter the smaller of line 4 or line 11	12	_
	Note: If you do not have a research credit carryforward, or if you choose not to allocate bonus		
	depreciation amounts to research credit carryforwards, skip lines 13 and 14 and enter -0- on		
	line 15.		
13	Enter the amount from line 10 allocated to the research credit carryforward shown on line 5	13	_
14	Maximum bonus depreciation amount allocable to the research credit. Subtract line 13 from line 5	14	_
15	Refundable research credit. Enter the smaller of line 14 or the amount on line 12 that you choose		
	to allocate to the research credit	15	_
16	Subtract line 15 from line 12	16	_
17	Enter the amount from line 10 allocated to the minimum tax credit carryforward shown on line 6	17	_
18	Maximum bonus depreciation amount allocable to the minimum tax credit. Subtract line 17 from		
	line 6	18	_
19	Refundable minimum tax credit. Enter the smaller of line 18 or line 16 here and on Form 8827,		
	line 7b	19	

Line 8

If the corporation had a post-1986 ownership change (as defined in section 382(g)), there may be a limit on the amount of pre-change minimum tax credits that can be applied against the corporation's tax for any tax year ending after the ownership change. See section 383 and the related regulations. To figure the amount of the pre-change credit, the corporation must allocate the credit for the change year between the pre-change period and the post-change period. The corporation must use the same method of allocation (ratable allocation or closing-of-the-books) for purposes of sections 382 and 383. See Regulations section 1.382-6 for details.

Also, there may be a limit on the use of pre-acquisition excess credits of one corporation to offset the tax attributable to recognized built-in gains of another corporation. See section 384 for details.

If either limit applies, attach a computation of the minimum tax credit allowed. Enter that amount on line 8a. Write "Sec. 383" or "Sec. 384" on the dotted line to the left of the line 8a entry space

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